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Louis Wehrmann House

212 Jefferson Street

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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

LOUIS WEHRMANN HOUSE

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Location:

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HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

The following information was recorded by Alexander Piaget and Charles van Ravenswaay at the time the photograph was taken:

Built ca 1857. Wehrmann (b. February 14, 1826 in Severn, Westphalia. d. October 8, 1896, following an operation in St. Louis). Came to the U.S. in 1848, lived for two years in St. Louis, and moved to Washington in 1850. He set up a harness, saddlery and shoe shop on the site of this house. In 1857, Wehrmann married Amie Storck. The house, generally dated locally as having been built in the early 1850s, may have been constructed about the time of his marriage.

In 1867, the house was gutted by fire and the interior was rebuilt, "using the original walls."

The three storey house has ten rooms and a basement and a stone foundation. The walls are brick and the roof of sheet iron Heated by stoves. This one of a number of houses remaining in Washington, built in the German Classical Revival style.

Now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Wilke, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Ralph Gregory, Mark Twain Park, Florida, Missouri. The Washington Missourian, October 27, 1960.

PROJECT INFORMATION

The Piaget-van Ravenswaay Survey consists of a number of photographs, primarily of sites and structures in Missouri, which were taken before 1938 by Alexander Piaget and after that by Paul Piaget, both in conjunction with Charles van Ravenswaay. Photographs of buildings were incorporated into the HABS collection in 1985 by Laura Rupp, HABS historian. A master list is available in the records for MO-1800.